

Notification

Final awards cannot be made until funds have been appropriated by Congress, allocated and committed through internal department procedures.

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Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Transit Administration****FTA Fiscal Year 2000 Apportionments, Allocations and Program Information; Notice of Changes and Corrections**

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; Changes and Corrections.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces changes to program allocations previously published in the Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration Notice entitled "FTA Fiscal Year 2000 Apportionments, Allocations and Program Information; Notice," dated October 28, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Levine, Director, Office of Resource Management and State Programs, at (202) 366-2053.

I. Changes to FTA FY 2000 New Starts and Bus Allocations

On November 29, 1999, President Clinton signed into law the Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Pub. L. 106-113). One provision of the Act provides for an across the board, Government-wide reduction in spending of the discretionary budget authority for FY 2000. A second provision, makes available \$6 million from the Mass Transit Account of the Highway Trust Fund for new transit projects.

The FY 2000 Consolidated Appropriations Act requires a government-wide reduction of 0.38 percent. The actual amount of reductions may vary among programs. The Federal transit share of this reduction totals \$17.6 million. Since the formula programs provide the primary sources of Federal transit assistance, are distributed to all states and urbanized areas, and have already been used by grantees to develop plans for FY 2000, no reductions will be assessed against these programs. No reduction is being

assessed against the Job Access and Reverse Commute program so as not to hinder progress in welfare reform, a national priority. Thus, the congressionally mandated \$17.6 million reduction is being taken from the New Starts and Bus programs under the Capital Investment Grants account and the National Research program under the Transit Planning and Research account resulting in a net reduction of 1.15 percent in each of these accounts. FTA published a **Federal Register** Notice dated October 28, 1999 (64 FR 58211-58263) which included the allocations for projects under these programs as contained in the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Pub. L. 106-69). The revised allocations for the New Starts Program (Table 8) and the Bus Program (Table 9) are contained in amendments to Tables 8 and 9 which may be found on the FTA website at: [http://www.fta.dot.gov/office/program/aa.htm]. An additional table displays the project specific adjustments made under the National Research program.

The new projects specified under the FY 2000 Consolidated Appropriations Act are listed below and in the Table 9 amendment. These projects were not subject to the 1.15 percent reduction, but three-fourths percent for oversight has been deducted, in accordance with Section 5327 of 49 U.S.C.

State and project	Allocation
AK: Anchorage, Alaska 2001 Special Olympics Winter Games buses and bus facilities	\$2,481,250
CA: Santa, Clarita, California bus maintenance facility	744,675
MN: Twin Cities, Minnesota metropolitan buses and bus facilities	1,736,875
NE: Lincoln, Nebraska bus maintenance facility	992,500
Total Allocation	5,955,000

II. Corrections**FTA Correction**

A. In TABLE 10, Federal Transit Administration, FY 2000 JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS, on page 58258, the State designation for the "Central Kenai peninsula public transportation task force," project was incorrectly identified as "GA" (Georgia). The correct State designation is "AK" (Alaska).

B. In Table 9 on page 58247-58248:

1. The figure for "Cedar Rapids intermodal facility" project amended to

read \$3,340,000—a reduction of \$160,000;

2. Added new project: "Iowa—Mason City, bus facility" for \$160,000;

3. Changed project description for "Colorado Association of Transit Agencies" project to "Colorado buses and bus facilities";

4. Changed project description for "Kansas Public Transit Association buses and bus facilities" project to "Kansas buses and bus facilities".

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Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Research and Special Programs Administration**

[Docket RSPA-98-4957; Notice 12]

Notice of Extension of Existing Information Collection

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Request for OMB approval and public comments.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA) published a notice seeking public comments on a proposed renewal of an information collection for the Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program for Pipeline Operators (64 FR 54065, October 5, 1999). No comments were received. This information collection requires gas pipelines, hazardous liquid pipelines, and liquefied natural gas (LNG) operators to document their alcohol misuse prevention programs. The public has an additional 30 days to comment on the extension of this information collection requirement.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received January 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should identify the docket number of this notice, RSPA-98-4957, and be mailed directly to the Office of Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 726 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attn: RSPA Desk Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marvin Fell, Office of Pipeline Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-6205 or by electronic mail at marvin.fell@rspa.dot.gov.